

Survey Questions

Note that your response to this survey will be kept confidential. Only a summary of the results of all surveys will be reported and retained. Individual responses will be destroyed after the summary is completed. Please use the back of this sheet or additional sheets if you need more space to answer.

Adjudication Questions

1. Do you hold a pre-1973 water right from the State of Montana? Yes___ No___ Don't know___.
2. What water uses are provided by your water rights?
Stockwater___ Irrigation___ Domestic___ Mining___ Other___.
3. Have you or your representative participated in the statewide adjudication of water rights?
Yes___ No___ Don't know
4. If the previous answer was yes, how have you participated? Filed a claim___ Hired an attorney
Filed an objection to a claim___ Testified in a hearing___ Other___.
5. What is the estimated cost of your participation in the adjudication process in time and dollars?
6. Is your pre-1973 water right included in a water right decree issued by the Montana Water Court in the current state-wide adjudication process? Yes___ No___ Don't know___.
7. On a scale of 1 to 10 with 1 meaning very dissatisfied and 10 meaning extremely satisfied, how would you rate the adjudication process?
8. Do you expect that completion of the adjudication will make your use of water: Easier___
Harder___ Have no affect___?
9. How will completion of the adjudication affect your use of water?

Water Right Administration Questions

10. Is your water right regularly administered by a water commissioner? Yes___ No___ Don't know___.
11. The cost of a water commissioner is now borne proportionately by those water rights holders who receive water pursuant to the commissioner's actions. Would you support requiring all water rights holders in the decree that the commissioner is enforcing to help pay for the commissioner? Yes___
No___ Don't know___.
12. Do you expect that enforcing your water right(s) will be easier or harder after the adjudication process is completed? Easier___ Harder___ Why easier or harder?___.
13. Should the DNRC be more active in enforcing water rights? Yes___ No___ Don't know___.
14. About how much time and money have you spent defending your water rights?

15. Do you feel that your water right is threatened by interests in Montana? Yes___ No___ Don't know___.
By interests in downstream states? Yes___ No___ Don't know_____.

16. Do you have any other comments or concerns about the adjudication process or how water rights are currently administered?

17. Would you like to receive a summary of the results of this survey? If so, please list your name and mailing address.

Name:

Address: